



HOUSE BILL No. 1197

DIGEST OF HB 1197 (Updated February 20, 2007 8:03 pm - DI 52)

Citations Affected: IC 13-11; IC 13-18; IC 15-3; noncode.

Synopsis: Regulation of confined feeding operations. Prohibits construction of a new confined feeding operation (CFO) within one mile of a licensed child care center, a public school, a licensed health facility, or a municipality. Excepts from the prohibition: (1) new construction within one mile from those entities if they located within one mile of a CFO; and (2) expansion of an existing CFO. Provides that the exception applies only if the person proposing the construction or expansion has not committed an environmental violation. Allows a person that would be restricted by the one mile limitation to appeal to the local zoning authority or county executive for an exemption. Requires the department of environmental management (IDEM) to establish civil penalty matrices for various categories of violations relating to CFOs. Requires IDEM to inspect each CFO at least one time each year. Applies an annual inspection fee on CFO's that is deposited in a confined feeding fund and used to fund IDEM CFO inspections. Requires the state chemist to: (1) establish a training program for CFO manure applicators and haulers; and (2) report to the general assembly concerning the training program. In certain court actions brought against a CFO owner or operator, allows the prevailing party to recover costs and attorney fees. Requires IDEM to revoke the CFO approval or permit of a person on the third occurrence of: (1) an environmental conviction: or (2) the imposition of certain environmental civil penalties. In a county that does not have an ordinance in effect regulating CFO location, construction, or operation, allows the county legislative body before January 1, 2008, to retroactively regulate by adopting an ordinance within ninety days of the CFO approval date.

Effective: Upon passage; July 1, 2007.

Pflum, Saunders, Tyler

January 11, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development.
February 15, 2007, amended, reported — Do Pass.

February 20, 2007, read second time, amended, ordered engrossed.











First Regular Session 115th General Assembly (2007)

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Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or *this style type* reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2006 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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HOUSE BILL No. 1197

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning environmental law.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

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SECTION 1. IC 13-11-2-176.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.1-2005,
SECTION 142, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
[EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 176.5. "Public school", for
purposes of IC 13-18-10 and IC 13-20-17.5, has the meaning set forth
in IC 20-18-2-15.

SECTION 2. IC 13-18-10-1.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1.5. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), and subject to subsection (c), a new confined feeding operation, including a CAFO, may not be constructed if any part of the facility would be less than one (1) mile from the boundary of any of the following:

- (1) A parcel of land on which either of the following is located:
 - (A) A public school.
 - (B) A health facility licensed under IC 16-28.
- 16 (2) A municipality.
 - (b) Subsection (a) does not apply to construction that:

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1	(1) is:	
2	(A) an expansion of an existing confined feeding operation	
3	or CAFO; or	
4	(B) construction of a new confined feeding operation or	
5	CAFO proposed to be located within one (1) mile of a	
6	boundary referred to in subsection (a) of an entity	
7	described in subsection (a)(1) or (a)(2) that located within	
8	one (1) mile of a confined feeding operation or CAFO that:	
9	(i) existed; or	
0	(ii) was under construction;	
.1	on March 1, 2007; and	
2	(2) is proposed by a person that has not committed a violation	
3	of:	
4	(A) environmental management laws; or	
.5	(B) a rule adopted by the board;	
6	as determined by the department.	
7	(c) A person that proposes construction as described in	U
8	subsection (a) may appeal to:	
9	(1) the local zoning authority that has jurisdiction where the	
20	facility is to be located; or	
21	(2) the county executive if the facility is to be located in a	
22	county that does not zone under IC 36-7-4;	
23	for an exemption from the one (1) mile limitation under subsection	
24	(a). The person must specify in the appeal petition the reasons that	
25	justify the exemption.	
26	(d) A local zoning authority or county executive that receives an	
27	appeal petition under subsection (c) shall do the following:	
28	(1) Publish notice under IC 5-3-1 of a public hearing on the	V
29	appeal. The public hearing must be held not later than	
0	forty-five (45) days after the date of filing of the appeal	
31	petition under subsection (c).	
32	(2) Hold the public hearing, taking testimony from the	
3	appellant and the public on the appeal.	
54	(3) Conduct any inquiry or investigation that the local zoning	
55	authority or county executive considers necessary before	
6	making a determination.	
57	(e) A local zoning authority or county executive may grant an	
8	appeal under subsection (c) for exemption from the one (1) mile	
19	limitation under subsection (a) only if the local zoning authority or	
10	county executive determines that granting the appeal is consistent	
1	with the public health, safety, and welfare.	
.2	(f) After a nublic hearing held under subsection (d), the local	



1	zoning authority or county executive shall:
2	(1) make a written determination on the appeal petition; and
3	(2) give notice of the determination to:
4	(A) the appellant; and
5	(B) the department;
6	not later than thirty (30) days after the date of the public
7	hearing, unless the local zoning authority or county executive
8	and the appellant agree to a longer time.
9	SECTION 3. IC 13-18-10-2.1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
10	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2.1. (a) The
11	department:
12	(1) shall make a determination on an application not later than
13	ninety (90) days after the date the department receives the
14	completed application, including all required supplemental
15	information, unless the department and the applicant agree to a
16	longer time; and
17	(2) may conduct any inquiry or investigation, consistent with the
18	department's duties under this chapter, the department considers
19	necessary before making a determination; and
20	(3) may not approve the application if:
21	(A) the limitation in section 1.5(a) of this chapter applies
22	to; or
23	(B) an appeal is pending under section 1.5(c) of this
24	chapter with respect to;
25	the facility that is the subject of the application.
26	(b) If the department fails to make a determination on an application
27	not later than ninety (90) days after the date the department receives
28	the completed application, the applicant may request and receive a
29	refund of an approval application fee paid by the applicant, and the
30	commissioner shall:
31	(1) continue to review the application;
32	(2) approve or deny the application as soon as practicable; and
33	(3) refund the applicant's application fee not later than twenty-five
34	(25) working days after the receipt of the applicant's request.
35	(c) The commissioner may suspend the processing of an application
36	and the ninety (90) day period described under this section if the
37	department determines within thirty (30) days after the department
38	receives the application that the application is incomplete and has
39	mailed a notice of deficiency to the applicant that specifies the parts of
40	the application that:
41	(1) do not contain adequate information for the department to
42	process the application; or



1	(2) are not consistent with applicable law.	
2	(d) The department may establish requirements in an approval	
3	regarding that part of the confined feeding operation that concerns	
4	manure handling and application to assure compliance with:	
5	(1) this chapter;	
6	(2) rules adopted under this chapter;	
7	(3) the water pollution control laws;	
8	(4) rules adopted under the water pollution control laws; and	
9	(5) policies and statements adopted under IC 13-14-1-11.5	
10	relative to confined feeding operations.	
11	(e) The department may amend an approval or revoke an approval:	
12	(1) for failure to comply with:	
13	(A) this chapter;	
14	(B) rules adopted under this chapter;	
15	(C) the water pollution control laws; or	_
16	(D) rules adopted under the water pollution control laws; and	
17	(2) as needed to prevent discharges of manure into the	
18	environment that pollute or threaten to pollute the waters of the	
19	state.	
20	SECTION 4. IC 13-18-10-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS	
21	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 6. A person who	
22	violates this chapter is subject to the penalties imposed by the	
23	following:	
24	(1) IC 13-30-4.	_
25	(2) IC 13-30-5.	
26	(3) IC 13-30-6.	
27	(4) IC 13-30-8.	
28	(5) Section 7 of this chapter.	Y
29	SECTION 5. IC 13-18-10-7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE	
30	AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY	
31	1, 2007]: Sec. 7. (a) The department shall establish civil penalty	
32	matrices for the following categories:	
33	(1) First time violations.	
34	(2) Repeat violations.	
35	(3) Intentional violators.	
36	(b) The civil penalty matrices established in this section must	
37	include the following factors to determine each penalty:	
38	(1) The magnitude of the violation.	
39	(2) The gravity of the effect of the violation.	
40 4.1	(3) The preventability of the violation.	
41	(4) The actions taken to prevent or correct the violation.	
12	(c) The range of the penalties for each category of the civil	



penalty matrix is as follows:
(1) First time violations, one hundred dollars (\$100) to
twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for each day of
violation.
(2) Repeat violations, five hundred dollars (\$500) to fifty
thousand dollars (\$50,000) for each day of violation.
(3) Intentional violators, ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to one
hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for each day of violation
SECTION 6. IC 13-18-10-8 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
1,2007]: Sec. 8. The department shall inspect each confined feeding
operation, including CAFOs, at least one (1) time each year.
SECTION 7. IC 13-18-10-9 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
1, 2007]: Sec. 9. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), each
confined feeding operation shall pay an annual inspection fee of
five hundred dollars (\$500).
(b) Each confined feeding operation that is a CAFO shall pay an
annual inspection fee of seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750).
(c) The fee collected under this section shall be deposited in the
confined feeding inspection fund established under section 10 of
this chapter.
SECTION 8. IC 13-18-10-10 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 10. (a) The confined feeding
operation inspection fund is established to permit the department
to inspect confined feeding operations, including CAFOs, to
determine compliance with this title.
(b) The department shall administer the fund. Money in the
fund is annually appropriated to the department for purposes of
this chapter.
(c) The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from
money in the fund. (d) The treesurer of state shall invest the money in the fund no
(d) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund not currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same
manner as other public funds may be invested.
(e) Money in the fund at the end of a fiscal year does not revert
to the state general fund.
SECTION 9. IC 13-18-10-11 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
IFFECTIVE HILLY 1 20071: Sec. 11 If:

(1) a court action is brought against an owner or operator of



1	a confined feeding operation, including a CAFO, by a person
2	other than a political subdivision or a state agency; and
3	(2) the action includes a complaint against any aspect of the
4	construction or operation of the confined feeding operation or
5	CAFO;
6	the party prevailing in the action is entitled to recover the costs of
7	the action, including reasonable attorney's fees as determined by
8	the court.
9	SECTION 10. IC 13-18-10-12 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
10	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
11	[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 12. The department shall revoke
12	an approval or permit under which a person is allowed to construct
13	or operate a confined feeding operation, including a CAFO, at the
14	time of the third occurrence of either of the following:
15	(1) The person is convicted under IC 13-30-6.
16	(2) A civil penalty is imposed on the person under IC 13-30-4,
17	except for a civil penalty for a minor violation as described in
18	IC 13-30-4-3(a).
19	SECTION 11. IC 15-3-3-12 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
20	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 12. The state chemist
21	may shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 relating to the use of fertilizer
22	material and the distribution and storage of bulk commercial fertilizers
23	to implement this chapter, including rules that set forth standards for
24	the storage of bulk fertilizers for the purpose of protecting the waters
25	of the state.
26	SECTION 12. IC 15-3-3-18 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
27	AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
28	UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 18. (a) The state chemist shall adopt rules
29	to establish a training and educational program for manure
30	haulers and applicators concerning the application to land of
31	manure generated from a confined feeding operation (as defined by
32	IC 13-11-2-40), including concentrated animal feeding operations
33	(as defined by IC 13-11-2-38.3).
34	(b) The program established under subsection (a) must include
35	the following topics concerning manure hauling and application:
36	(1) Manure testing.
37	(2) Soil testing.
38	(3) Transportation.
39	(4) Manure application and handling.
40	(5) Any other topics determined by the state chemist.
41	SECTION 13. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007] (a) Before November
42	1, 2007, the state chemist shall submit a report concerning the



1	status of the manure handling program under IC 15-3-3-18, as
2	added by this act, to the general assembly in an electronic format
3	under IC 5-14-6.
4	(b) This SECTION expires July 1, 2008.
5	SECTION 14. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) As used in this
6	SECTION, "facility" means either of the following:
7	(1) A new concentrated animal feeding operation as defined
8	in IC 13-11-2-38.3.
9	(2) A new confined feeding operation as defined in
10	IC 13-11-2-40.
11	(b) As used in this SECTION, "facility approval date" refers to
12	either of the following:
13	(1) The date the department of environmental management
14	approves a facility under IC 13-18-10-1.
15	(2) With respect to a facility to which subdivision (1) does not
16	apply, either of the following:
17	(A) The date the department of environmental
18	management approves a NPDES permit for the facility
19	under 327 IAC 5.
20	(B) The date a notice of intent is filed for general NPDES
21	permit coverage for the facility under 327 IAC 15.
22	(c) As used in this SECTION, "facility ordinance" refers to an
23	ordinance that regulates any of the following with respect to a
24	facility:
25	(1) Location.
26	(2) Construction.
27	(3) Operation.
28	(d) As used in this SECTION, "legislative body" has the
29	meaning set forth in IC 36-1-2-9.
30	(e) A facility ordinance may retroactively regulate a facility only
31	if:
32	(1) the legislative body of the county adopts the facility
33	ordinance:
34	(A) after the effective date of this SECTION;
35	(B) before January 1, 2008; and
36	(C) not later than ninety (90) days after the facility
37	approval date; and
38	(2) on the date the legislative body adopts the facility
39	ordinance under subdivision (1) the county does not have a
40	facility ordinance is in effect.
41	(f) This SECTION expires January 1, 2008.
42	SECTION 15. An emergency is declared for this act



COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development, to which was referred House Bill 1197, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, delete lines 1 though 5.

Page 1, line 8, delete "[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]" and insert "[EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]".

Page 1, delete lines 11 through 17.

Page 2, delete lines 1 though 4.

Page 2, line 7, delete "[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]" and insert "[EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]".

Page 2, line 7, after "A" insert "new".

Page 2, line 7, after "operation" insert ", including a CAFO,".

Page 2, line 9, delete "two (2) miles" and insert "one (1) mile".

Page 2, line 11, delete "nonpublic school." and insert "child care center licensed under IC 12-17.2-4.".

Page 2, between lines 12 and 13, begin a new line double block indented and insert:

"(C) A health facility licensed under IC 16-28.".

Page 2, line 15, delete "[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]" and insert "[EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]".

Page 3, delete lines 22 through 30, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 4. IC 13-18-10-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 6. A person who violates this chapter is subject to the penalties imposed by the following:

- (1) IC 13-30-4.
- (2) IC 13-30-5.
- (3) IC 13-30-6.
- (4) IC 13-30-8.
- (5) Section 7 of this chapter.

SECTION 5. IC 13-18-10-7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: **Sec. 7. (a) The department shall establish civil penalty matrices for the following categories:**

- (1) First time violations.
- (2) Repeat violations.
- (3) Intentional violators.
- (b) The civil penalty matrices established in this section must include the following factors to determine each penalty:

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- (1) The magnitude of the violation.
- (2) The gravity of the effect of the violation.
- (3) The preventability of the violation.
- (4) The actions taken to prevent or correct the violation.
- (c) The range of the penalties for each category of the civil penalty matrix is as follows:
 - (1) First time violations, one hundred dollars (\$100) to twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for each day of violation.
 - (2) Repeat violations, five hundred dollars (\$500) to fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for each day of violation.
- (3) Intentional violators, ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for each day of violation. SECTION 6. IC 13-18-10-8 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,2007]: Sec. 8. The department shall inspect each confined feeding operation, including CAFOs, at least one (1) time each year.

SECTION 7. IC 13-18-10-9 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 9. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), each confined feeding operation shall pay an annual inspection fee of five hundred dollars (\$500).

- (b) Each confined feeding operation that is a CAFO shall pay an annual inspection fee of seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750).
- (c) The fee collected under this section shall be deposited in the confined feeding inspection fund established under section 10 of this chapter.

SECTION 8. IC 13-18-10-10 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 10. (a) The confined feeding operation inspection fund is established to permit the department to inspect confined feeding operations, including CAFOs, to determine compliance with this title.

- (b) The department shall administer the fund. Money in the fund is annually appropriated to the department for purposes of this chapter.
- (c) The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from money in the fund.
- (d) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund not currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same manner as other public funds may be invested.
 - (e) Money in the fund at the end of a fiscal year does not revert

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to the state general fund.

SECTION 9. IC 15-3-3-12 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 12. The state chemist may shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 relating to the use of fertilizer material and the distribution and storage of bulk commercial fertilizers to implement this chapter, including rules that set forth standards for the storage of bulk fertilizers for the purpose of protecting the waters of the state.".

Page 3, line 31, delete "SECTION 7. IC 13-18-10-2.7" and insert "SECTION 10. IC 15-3-3-18".

Page 3, line 33, delete "2.7. (a) The board" insert "18. (a) The state chemist".

Page 3, line 34, delete "department operated".

Page 3, line 34, delete "certification" and insert "educational".

Page 3, line 35, after "manure" insert "haulers and".

Page 3, line 36, after "operation" insert "(as defined by IC 13-11-2-40), including concentrated animal feeding operations (as defined by IC 13-11-2-38.3)".

Page 3, delete lines 37 through 42, begin a new paragraph and insert:

- "(b) The program established under subsection (a) must include the following topics concerning manure hauling and application:
 - (1) Manure testing.
 - (2) Soil testing.
 - (3) Transportation.
 - (4) Manure application and handling.
 - (5) Any other topics determined by the state chemist.

SECTION 11. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007] (a) Before November 1, 2007, the state chemist shall submit a report concerning the status of the manure handling program under IC 15-3-3-18, as added by this act, to the general assembly in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.

(b) This SECTION expires July 1, 2008.".

Page 4, delete lines 1 though 12.

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1197 as introduced.)

PFLUM, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 7, nays 5.



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HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that House Bill 1197 be amended to read as follows:

Page 5, between lines 12 and 13, begin a new paragraph and insert: "SECTION 12. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) As used in this SECTION, "facility" means either of the following:

- (1) A new concentrated animal feeding operation as defined in IC 13-11-2-38.3.
- (2) A new confined feeding operation as defined in IC 13-11-2-40.
- (b) As used in this SECTION, "facility approval date" refers to either of the following:
 - (1) The date the department of environmental management approves a facility under IC 13-18-10-1.
 - (2) With respect to a facility to which subdivision (1) does not apply, either of the following:
 - (A) The date the department of environmental management approves a NPDES permit for the facility under 327 IAC 5.
 - (B) The date a notice of intent is filed for general NPDES permit coverage for the facility under 327 IAC 15.
- (c) As used in this SECTION, "facility ordinance" refers to an ordinance that regulates any of the following with respect to a facility:
 - (1) Location.
 - (2) Construction.
 - (3) Operation.
- (d) As used in this SECTION, "legislative body" has the meaning set forth in IC 36-1-2-9.
- (e) A facility ordinance may retroactively regulate a facility only if:
 - (1) the legislative body of the county adopts the facility ordinance:
 - (A) after the effective date of this SECTION;
 - (B) before January 1, 2008; and
 - (C) not later than ninety (90) days after the facility approval date; and
 - (2) on the date the legislative body adopts the facility ordinance under subdivision (1) the county does not have a facility ordinance is in effect.







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(f) This SECTION expires January 1, 2008.".

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to HB 1197 as printed February 16, 2007.)

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HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that House Bill 1197 be amended to read as follows:

Page 1, line 8, delete "A" and insert "(a) Except as provided in subsection (b), and subject to subsection (c), a".

Page 1, delete line 13.

Page 1, line 14, delete "(B)" and insert "(A)".

Page 1, line 15, delete "(C)" and insert "(B)".

Page 1, between lines 16 and 17, begin a new paragraph and insert:

- "(b) Subsection (a) does not apply to construction that:
 - (1) is:
 - (A) an expansion of an existing confined feeding operation or CAFO; or
 - (B) construction of a new confined feeding operation or CAFO proposed to be located within one (1) mile of a boundary referred to in subsection (a) of an entity described in subsection (a)(1) or (a)(2) that located within one (1) mile of a confined feeding operation or CAFO that:
 - (i) existed; or
 - (ii) was under construction;

on March 1, 2007; and

- (2) is proposed by a person that has not committed a violation of:
 - (A) environmental management laws; or
 - (B) a rule adopted by the board;

as determined by the department.

- (c) A person that proposes construction as described in subsection (a) may appeal to:
 - (1) the local zoning authority that has jurisdiction where the facility is to be located; or
 - (2) the county executive if the facility is to be located in a county that does not zone under IC 36-7-4;

for an exemption from the one (1) mile limitation under subsection (a). The person must specify in the appeal petition the reasons that

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justify the exemption.

- (d) A local zoning authority or county executive that receives an appeal petition under subsection (c) shall do the following:
 - (1) Publish notice under IC 5-3-1 of a public hearing on the appeal. The public hearing must be held not later than forty-five (45) days after the date of filing of the appeal petition under subsection (c).
 - (2) Hold the public hearing, taking testimony from the appellant and the public on the appeal.
 - (3) Conduct any inquiry or investigation that the local zoning authority or county executive considers necessary before making a determination.
- (e) A local zoning authority or county executive may grant an appeal under subsection (c) for exemption from the one (1) mile limitation under subsection (a) only if the local zoning authority or county executive determines that granting the appeal is consistent with the public health, safety, and welfare.
- (f) After a public hearing held under subsection (d), the local zoning authority or county executive shall:
 - (1) make a written determination on the appeal petition; and
 - (2) give notice of the determination to:
 - (A) the appellant; and
 - (B) the department;

not later than thirty (30) days after the date of the public hearing, unless the local zoning authority or county executive and the appellant agree to a longer time.".

- Page 2, line 11, delete "if the limitation in section" and insert "if:
 - (A) the limitation in section 1.5(a) of this chapter applies to; or
 - (B) an appeal is pending under section 1.5(c) of this chapter with respect to;

the facility that is the subject of the application.".

Page 2, delete lines 12 through 13.

Page 4, between lines 26 and 27, begin a new paragraph and insert: "SECTION 9. IC 13-18-10-11 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: **Sec. 11. If:**

- (1) a court action is brought against an owner or operator of a confined feeding operation, including a CAFO, by a person other than a political subdivision or a state agency; and
- (2) the action includes a complaint against any aspect of the construction or operation of the confined feeding operation or

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the party prevailing in the action is entitled to recover the costs of the action, including reasonable attorney's fees as determined by the court.

SECTION 10. IC 13-18-10-12 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: **Sec. 12. The department shall revoke an approval or permit under which a person is allowed to construct or operate a confined feeding operation, including a CAFO, at the time of the third occurrence of either of the following:**

- (1) The person is convicted under IC 13-30-6.
- (2) A civil penalty is imposed on the person under IC 13-30-4, except for a civil penalty for a minor violation as described in IC 13-30-4-3(a)."

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to HB 11197 as printed February 16, 2007.)

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